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JANUARY 20, 1989

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"ABRAHAM LINCOLN: A BIOGRAPHY IN WORDS AND MUSIC"

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There is no charge for admission to these presentations. For further information, please call (217) 492-4150.

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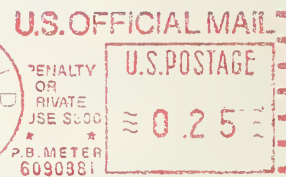
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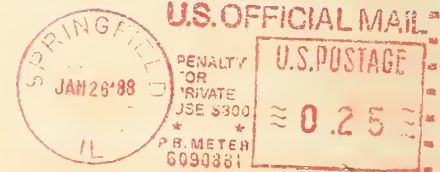
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NORMAN HELLMERS NAMED SUPERINTENDENT AT

LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

Norman Hellmers, Superintendent of Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial near Lincoln City, Indiana, has been promoted to Superintendent of Lincoln Home National Historic Site, Springfield, Illinois.

An 18 year veteran of the National Park Service, Hellmers will report for his new assignment on April 23, 1990 according to Don H. Castleberry, Midwest Regional Director for the NPS.

Castleberry said that Hellmers' experience "exemplifies the finest traditions of National Park management. He brings an outstanding background of experience and education and a demonstrated ability to work well with the park's neighbors. I'm certain Norm will become a welcome addition to the Springfield area and continue the excellent relationships enjoyed by his predecessors. His previous experience in managing a Lincoln historic site should be an additional asset."

A native of New Orleans, Louisiana, Hellmers graduated in 1966 from Concordia College in River Forest, Illinois with a bachelor's degree in education. He did post-graduate study in communications at the University of Iowa, Iowa City.

Hellmers began his National Park Service career as a park technician at Gettysburg National Military Park, Pennsylvania. Subsequent NPS assignments have taken him to George Washington Memorial Parkway, Virginia/Maryland; Shenandoah National Park, Virginia; and Grand Portage National Monument, Minnesota. He

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has been the Superintendent at Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial since 1981.

Hellmers and his wife, Patricia, have two children. Jennifer, 21 and Jeffrey, 18 will be attending St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota.

Hellmers will succeed Gentry Davis, who was recently promoted to National Capital Parks-East, Washington, D.C.

The Lincoln Home, located in the heart of Springfield, Illinois, is one of the most significant sites associated with the life of America's revered 16th president. The only home he ever owned, Lincoln and his family resided in this house for 17 years. The recently restored and furnished historic home has been administered as a unit of the NPS since 1972. Approximately 10 million people, including many foreign visitors, have come to the Site to learn more about Lincoln as a husband, father, neighbor, politician, and finally, president-elect.

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LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE OBSERVES TWO MOMENTOUS ANNIVERSARIES

Throughout the year 1989, the National Park Service at Lincoln Home National Historic Site will observe the bicentennial of the U.S. presidency and the sesquicentennial of the original construction of the Lincoln Home in 1839. All special programs during the year will be presented in observance of these two anniversaries.

For example, throughout the period from mid-June through mid-August, the Historic Site will offer an intensive schedule of lectures and other programs for the benefit of the visiting public. A copy of the schedule for these activities is enclosed. The times and subject matter of the presentations is subject to change; for up-to date information regarding these programs as well as other activities at the Site, please call the Lincoln Home Visitor Center at (217)492-4150.

The Lincoln Home has been a public historic site since 1887. During the intervening years, original furnishings and other objects used by the Lincolns have slowly returned to the home. There are presently 67 objects associated with the Lincoln family within the Historic Site's museum collection. The National Park Service is continuing to seek the return of original objects to the Lincoln Home. Public assistance in pursuing this goal would be most welcome.

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SCHEDULE OF PROGRAMS - MAY THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1989

GENERAL INFORMATION

Unless otherwise noted, programs begin at 2:00 p.m. in Lincoln Home Visitor Center, 426 South Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois.

There is no admission fee for any of these presentations.

THE SCHEDULE

This schedule is subject to change. For up-to-date information, please call (217) 492-4150.

MAY

During the month of May, members of the Junior League of Springfield will present tours of the Lincoln Home neighborhood in historic costume. Tours will begin every half hour between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturdays and from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sundays, except for Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14.

Saturday, May 13, and Sunday, May 14, a 60-minute film entitled, "Touring America's National Parks"

Saturday, May 27, and Sunday, May 28 -- A 60-Minute film entitled, "Touring Alaska"

JUNE

During the month of June, members of the Junior League of Springfield will present tours of the Lincoln Home neighborhood in historic costume. The schedule of tours will be announced at the end of May.

Saturday, June 10, and Sunday, June 11 -- A 30-minute film on the Battle of Antietam during the Civil War.

Tuesday, June 13 -- Slide presentation entitled, "Illinois Wildlife of the Lincoln Era"

Wednesday, June 14 -- Slide presentation on Lincoln Home restoration

Thursday, June 15 -- Slide presentation entitled "Archeology at the Lincoln Home"

Tuesday, June 20 -- A dramatized interview with Lincoln's law partner and biographer, William Herndon

Wednesday, June 21 -- Music from the Lincoln period performed on the Historic Site grounds by the Gypsy Guerilla Band

Thursday, June 22 -- A 45 minute slide presentation on "The Life of Abraham Lincoln," beginning each hour between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Thursday evening June 22, at 7:30 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in historic costume representing a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Saturday, June 24, and Sunday, June 25 -- A 35 minute film on the Civil War entitled, "The Fiery Trial"

Saturday, June 24 -- Music from the Lincoln period, performed by the Buckley Family Singers

Tuesday, June 27 -- Slide presentation entitled, "Illinois Wildlife of the Lincoln Era"

Wednesday, June 28 -- Music from the Lincoln period performed on the Historic Site grounds by the Gypsy Guerilla Band

Thursday, June 29 -- A slide presentation on "The Restoration of New Salem"

JULY

During the month of July, members of the Junior League of Springfield will present tours of the Lincoln Home neighborhood in historic costume. The schedule of tours will be announced at the end of June.

Wednesday, July 5 -- A slide presentation on "Lincoln the Lawyer in Logan County: Postville and Mt. Pulaski Courthouses"

Thursday, July 6 -- A slide presentation on "Archeology at the Lincoln Home"

Saturday, July 8 -- Music of the Lincoln period, performed by the Buckley Family Singers

Tuesday, July 11 at 1 p.m. -- A film on Springfield's internationally renowned poet, Vachel Lindsay: "Look Into Your Heart: The Challenge of Vachel Lindsay"

Wednesday, July 12 -- A slide presentation on the history of Lincoln's Tomb

Thursday, July 13 -- A discussion concerning "Illinois Pottery"

Saturday, July 15, and Sunday, July 16 -- A 30-minute film on the historic significance of Independence Hall in Philadelphia

Tuesday, July 18 -- A dramatized interview with Lincoln's law partner and biographer, William Herndon

Wednesday, July 19 -- A slide presentation on "Illinois Historic Sites"

Thursday, July 20 -- A slide presentation on "Archeology at the Lincoln Home"

Thursday evening, July 20, at 7:30 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in historic costume representing a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Wednesday, July 26 -- A slide presentation on "Lincoln the Lawyer in Logan County: Postville and Mt. Pulaski Courthouses"

Thursday, July 27 -- A slide presentation on the Lincoln Home restoration

Saturday, July 29, and Sunday, July 30 -- A 55 minute film entitled, "Washington, D.C.: An Inspiring Tour"

AUGUST

During the month of August, the Junior League of Springfield will present tours of the Lincoln Home neighborhood. The schedule of tours will be announced at the end of July.

Tuesday, August 1 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Illinois Wildlife of the Lincoln Era"

Wednesday, August 2 -- A slide presentation on the history of Lincoln's Tomb

Thursday, August 3 -- A slide presentation on "Archeology at the Lincoln Home"

Tuesday, August 8 -- A slide presentation on "Historic Archeology at the Lincoln Home and other Sites"

Wednesday, August 9 -- A slide presentation on the restoration of the Lincoln Home

Thursday, August 10 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Lincoln at New Salem"

Saturday, August 12, and Sunday, August 13 -- A 60 minute film entitled, "In Celebration of America's Wildlife."

Tuesday, August 15 -- A dramatized interview with Lincoln's law partner and biographer, William H. Herndon.

Wednesday, August 16 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Lincoln the Lawyer in Logan County: Postville and Mt. Pulaski Courthouses"

Thursday, August 17 -- A slide presentation on "Archeology at the Lincoln Home"

Thursday evening, August 24, at 7:30 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in historic costume representing a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Friday, August 25 -- Observance of the anniversary of the establishment of the National Park Service on August 25, 1916.

Saturday, August 26 and Sunday, August 27 -- A 60-Minute film entitled, "The Complete Yellowstone"

SEPTEMBER

Saturday, September 9, and Sunday, September 10 -- A 30-Minute film concerning Lincoln's boyhood years in Indiana

Thursday evening, September 14, at 7 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in historic costume representing a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Saturday, September 23, and Sunday, September 24 -- A 30-minute film entitled, "The Non-Game Wildlife Story"

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**ROBERT B. DUNHAM PROMOTED TO
CHIEF OF MAINTENANCE
at Lincoln Home National Historic Site**

Springfield, IL -- Robert B. Dunham, a 13-year veteran with the National Park Service, was recently promoted to the Chief of Maintenance position at the Lincoln Home National Historic Site.

Gentry Davis, Superintendent of the Lincoln Home N.H.S., announced the appointment of Mr. Dunham saying, "It is a rare privilege to be able to promote such an outstanding and qualified individual. Over the years, Mr. Dunham has provided invaluable contributions to the Park; most recently in the major \$2.2 million restoration on the Lincoln Home. His background and experience will be a significant asset to the Park in the years ahead."

Dunham said he is grateful for the opportunity to formulate and manage the Maintenance operations at the Park. He stated, "I look back on my years at the Park with satisfaction and a sense of accomplishment. I am fortunate to inherit a tremendously talented and devoted group of employees who are highly qualified in all facets of the technical and construction trades as well as in grounds maintenance. I welcome the challenges that lie ahead."

Dunham is a lifelong resident of Springfield, Illinois, graduated from Springfield's Griffin High School and attended Springfield College in Illinois.

Dunham's first job with the National Park Service was in 1976 as a temporary carpenter on a special project at the Lincoln Home National Historic Site. Since that time he has moved through the ranks to become a permanent Maintenance Division employee, was subsequently promoted to a Maintenance Mechanic, and in 1977 was promoted to Work Leader of the Preservation and Restoration Division.

Dunham and his wife, Shirley, have 5 children: Amy Vinturini, married to Dr. Paul Vinturini have a 2-year old daughter, Jessica; Anne, 22, graduated from Illinois State University and is currently a teacher in the Springfield area; Tom, 19, is a student at Lincoln Land Community College; Jake, 15, is a student at Griffin High School; and Erin, 12, is a student at Blessed Sacrament.

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TWILIGHT TOURS OF LINCOLN HOME NEIGHBORHOOD

Lincoln Home National Historic Site cordially invites the public to enjoy twilight tours through the historic neighborhood surrounding the Lincoln Home. The programs begin at 7:30 p.m. on the following dates: Friday, June 15; Sunday, June 17; Wednesday, June 27; Thursday, July 5; Thursday, July 12; Thursday, July 19; Thursday, July 26; Thursday, August 2; and Thursday, August 9, 1990. All these programs originate on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center, 426 South Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois.

A member of the Lincoln Home staff, dressed in reproduction historical clothing, will present these tours from the viewpoint of an 1860's Springfield resident who knew the Lincoln family. Many anecdotes about the neighbors and their relationships with the Lincolns will be discussed.

The Historic Site preserves twelve homes of the Lincolns' neighbors. The evening is an ideal time to visit the restored neighborhood and recapture the ambience of Eighth Street as the Lincolns knew it.

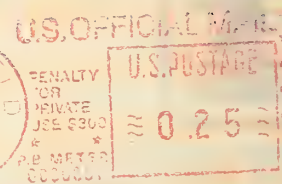
These programs are free and open to the public.

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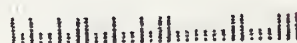
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MARIONETTES PORTRAY LINCOLN'S LIFE AT LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

The National Park Service at Lincoln Home National Historic Site cordially invites the public to see scenes from Lincoln's "prairie years" come to life through the magic of marionettes when the DePriest Puppets stage "Abraham Lincoln: New Salem to Springfield." The presentations will begin at 2:00 and again at 2:45 p.m. on Saturday, June 16, 1990. In the event of adverse weather, the presentations will be held on Saturday, June 23, at 2:00 and 2:45 p.m. The location will be across Eighth Street from the Lincoln Home. Chairs will be provided for adults; parents are encouraged to bring blankets so their children can sit on the grass.

Using completely hand-crafted puppets, the vignettes of the drama will portray key episodes in the early career of Abraham Lincoln, from his arrival at New Salem to his departure from Springfield to assume the office of President. It took Ollie DePriest, a Springfield native and one of the few professional puppeteers practicing in central Illinois, more than six months to research and complete the script. He then designed the scenes and carved and molded each marionette by hand. Mr. DePriest costumed the figures according to the style of the period, going so far as to replicate the fabrics which would have been popular during the 1850's. The development of the project was funded in part by a grant from the non-profit Puppeteers of America.

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DePriest Puppets was formed in 1976 by Ollie DePriest; his wife, Bridget; and Ollie's sister, Shirley DePriest. The group performs throughout the Midwest. DePriest Puppets is a member of Puppeteers of America and the Central Illinois Puppetry Guild.

The performances are free and open to the public.



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SUMMER PROGRAMS AT

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LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE
SCHEDULE OF SUMMER PROGRAMS JUNE THROUGH AUGUST 1990

GENERAL INFORMATION

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During the summer, members of the Junior League of Springfield, dressed in reproduction period clothing, will present tours of the Lincoln Home neighborhood. The schedule will vary; for current information, please call (217) 492-4150.

There is no admission fee for any of these presentations.

THE SCHEDULE

This schedule is subject to change. For up-to-date information, please call (217) 492-4150.

JUNE

During June, members of the Junior League of Springfield, dressed in reproduction period clothing, will present tours of the Lincoln Home neighborhood. The schedule will vary; for current information, please call (217) 492-4150.

Friday evening, June 15, at 7:30 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in reproduction period clothing who will portray a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Saturday, June 16, at 2:00 and again at 2:45 p.m. across Eighth Street from the Lincoln Home -- Scenes from Lincoln's "prairie years" will come to life through the magic of marionettes when the DePriest Puppets stage "Abraham Lincoln: New Salem to Springfield." In the event of adverse weather, the presentations will be held on Saturday, June 23, at 2:00 p.m. and 2:45.

Sunday evening, June 17, at 7:30 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in reproduction period clothing who will portray a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Tuesday, June 19 -- A dramatized interview with Mary Todd Lincoln's sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Todd Edwards.

Wednesday, June 20 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Illinois Wildlife of the Lincoln Era."

Thursday, June 21 -- A 45-minute slide presentation on "The Life of Abraham Lincoln," beginning each hour between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Tuesday, June 26 -- A dramatized interview with Lincoln's law partner and biographer William Herndon.

Wednesday, June 27 -- A slide presentation entitled "Lincoln's Campaign Manager: David Davis."

Wednesday evening, June 27, at 7:30 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in reproduction period clothing who will portray a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Thursday, June 28 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Lincoln Home Archeology."

JULY

During July, members of the Junior League of Springfield, dressed in reproduction period clothing, will present tours of the Lincoln home neighborhood. The schedule will vary; for current information, please call (217) 492-4150.

Tuesday, July 3, at 3:00 p.m. -- A dramatized interview with Lincoln's law partner and biographer, William Herndon.

Wednesday, July 4 -- A one-hour movie entitled, "Independence," which portrays the era of the American Revolution.

Thursday, July 5 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Lincoln Home Archeology."

Thursday evening, July 5, at 7:30 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in reproduction period clothing who will portray a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Tuesday, July 10 -- A slide presentation entitled, "The Restoration of the Lincoln Home."

Wednesday, July 11 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Illinois Historic Sites."

Thursday, July 12 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Lincoln The Lawyer in Logan County: Postville and Mt. Pulaski Courthouses."

Thursday evening, July 12, at 7:30 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in reproduction period clothing who will portray a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Tuesday, July 17 -- A dramatized interview with Mary Todd Lincoln's sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Todd Edwards.

Wednesday, July 18 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Illinois Wildlife of the Lincoln Era."

Thursday, July 19 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Lincoln's Campaign Manager: David Davis."

Thursday evening, July 19, at 7:30 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in reproduction period clothing who will portray a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Tuesday, July 24 -- A performance entitled, "Music of Lincoln's America."

Wednesday, July 25 -- A slide presentation entitled, "The History of Lincoln's Tomb."

Thursday, July 26 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Lincoln the Lawyer in Logan County: Postville and Mt. Pulaski Courthouses."

Thursday evening, July 26, at 7:30 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in reproduction period clothing who will portray a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Tuesday, July 31 -- A dramatized interview with Mary Todd Lincoln's sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Todd Edwards.

AUGUST

During August, members of the Junior League of Springfield, dressed in reproduction period clothing, will present tours of the Lincoln home neighborhood. The schedule will vary; for current information, please call (217) 492-4150.

Wednesday, August 1 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Illinois Wildlife of the Lincoln Era."

Thursday, August 2 -- "Ice Age Animals of Illinois and Elsewhere."

Thursday evening, August 2, at 7:30 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in reproduction period clothing who will portray a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Monday, August 6 -- A dramatized interview with Lincoln's law partner and biographer, William Herndon.

Tuesday, August 7 -- A performance entitled, "Music of Lincoln's America."

Wednesday, August 8 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Lincoln at New Salem."

Thursday, August 9 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Lincoln the Lawyer in Logan County: Postville and Mt. Pulaski Courthouses."

Thursday evening, August 9, at 7:30 p.m. -- "Twilight Tour of the Lincoln Home Neighborhood" with a person in reproduction period clothing who will portray a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Tuesday, August 14 -- A dramatized conversation with Mary Todd Lincoln's sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Todd Edwards.

Wednesday, August 15 -- A slide presentation entitled, "The Restoration of New Salem."

Thursday, August 16 -- A slide presentation entitled, "Lincoln's Campaign Manager: David Davis."

Saturday, August 25 -- Observance of the anniversary of the establishment of the National Park Service on August 25, 1916. The nature, time, and location of activities will be announced later.

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August 8, 1990

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HANDICAPPED ACCESS LIFT BEING INSTALLED AT LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

The National Park Service at Lincoln Home National Historic Site will hold an official ceremony to initiate the use of a hydraulic lift that will provide visitors in wheelchairs with access to the first floor of the Lincoln Home. The ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. on Thursday, August 16, 1990, in the backyard of the Lincoln Home.

When not in use, the lift will be concealed beneath the reproduction historic boardwalk. This reflects the National Park Service's endeavors to provide accessibility and preserve the historic scene.

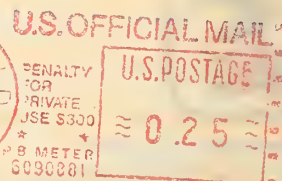
The hydraulic lift has a capacity of 1,000 pounds. It was manufactured by the Equipment Company of America in Hialeah, Florida, and installed under contract by the J. W. Allen Construction Company of Marion, Illinois.

The handicapped lift will be operated by Lincoln Home staff members. The public is encouraged to call in advance to make arrangements for the use of the lift; the number is (217) 492-4150.

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For Immediate Release

Contact: Jerry Sanders (812) 937-4541

PIONEER WASHDAY PROGRAM SCHEDULE AT LINCOLN FARM

(LINCOLN CITY, INDIANA) The National Park Service invites the public to attend a special "hands-on" pioneer skills weekend at the Lincoln Living Historical Farm, to learn to wash clothes the "pioneer way." Led by costumed demonstration farmers and interpreters, the two hour program, "Pioneer Washday," will be offered Saturday and Sunday, August 18-19 (weather permitting) from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (CDT) each day. After a short "how to" and safety message, visitors will be invited to try their hand at washing clothes much like pioneer women did during the early days of Indiana's statehood.

Pioneer women worked hard. Besides the burden of cooking over an open fire, pioneer women were required to do many other farm chores. Washing the family clothing was one such chore. On washday, the men and boys in the family usually carried many buckets of water to fill a kettle suspended over an outdoor fire. After the water came to a boil, the women took over, "battlin" and then "rubbin" and "bilin." Determined, hardworking, "wash-wimmin" could do a week's washing in from four to six hours.

Administered by the National Park Service, Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial, is located on Highway 162, adjacent to Lincoln State Park, four

Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial, Lincoln City, Indiana 47552

miles west of Santa Claus, Indiana. Open daily 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (CDT).
Telephone (812) 937-4541.

Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial has an admission fee of \$1.00 per person (maximum charge per family is \$3.00) which entitles the guest to visit all park attractions and attend all park activities. There is no admission charge for education groups, for children age 16 and under, or senior citizens age 62 or over.

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THE FOURTH ANNUAL LINCOLN COLLOQUIUM

The National Park Service at Lincoln Home National Historic Site, Sangamon County Historical Society, and Lincoln Group of Illinois invite the public to attend the Fourth Annual Lincoln Colloquium, in which prominent scholars will present their insights concerning Abraham Lincoln.

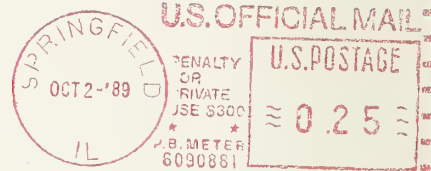
The Event will take place on Saturday, October 14, 1989, in Menard Hall of Lincoln Land Community College, Shepherd Road, Springfield, Illinois. Registration will start at 11:15 a.m. The Colloquium will begin at 11:45 a.m. and conclude at approximately 5:00 p.m.; lunch is included.

The theme of this year's Colloquium is "The Many Facets of Abraham Lincoln." Speakers will include Don E. Fehrenbacher, William Robertson Coe Professor of History and American Studies Emeritus at Stanford University and winner of the 1979 Pulitzer Prize in History; Dr. Fehrenbacher will discuss Lincoln's speeches and writings. Robert V. Bruce, Professor Emeritus of History at Boston University and winner of the 1988 Pulitzer Prize in History, will chronicle and analyze "Lincoln's Concern with Science and Technology." Harold Holzer, coauthor of The Lincoln Image and other pioneering works on Lincoln iconography, will present a slide lecture on "The Image of the Lincoln Family." Cullom Davis, Professor of History at Sangamon State University and Director and Senior Editor of The Lincoln Legal Papers, will discuss "Lincoln the Lawyer." Dr. Wayne C. Temple, Chief Deputy Director of the Illinois State Archives, will present his unpublished research findings for a forthcoming book

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on the subject of "Lincoln's Religion." Through the mail, registrants will later receive a booklet containing the papers delivered at the Colloquium.

The registration fee for the Colloquium, which covers lunch and other expenses connected with the event, is \$15.00 for members of the Lincoln Group of Illinois or Sangamon County Historical Society and \$17.50 for non-members. Checks should be made payable to Eastern National Park and Monument Association, with the word "Colloquium" written on the "Memo" line of the check. Advance registration will assist in the planning of the event; please mail registration fees to Lincoln Colloquium, Lincoln Home National Historic Site, 413 South Eighth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701-1905.

For the convenience of registrants, an optional dinner will be available at the college afterward. Those wishing to stay for dinner should add \$7.00 a person to their registration fee.

Anyone wishing to obtain further information regarding the Fourth Annual Lincoln Colloquium is welcome to call Lincoln Home National Historic Site at (217) 492-4150; please ask for Historian George Painter.

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by George L. Painter

Historian, Lincoln Home National Historic Site

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The theme of this year's Colloquium is "The Many Facets of Abraham Lincoln." Congressman Richard J. Durbin, who represents some of the same geographic area Lincoln did in the U.S. House of Representatives, will provide introductory comments. Other speakers will include Robert V. Bruce, Professor Emeritus of History at Boston University and winner of the 1988 Pulitzer Prize in History; Dr. Bruce will discuss "Lincoln's Concern with Science and Technology." Harold Holzer, coauthor of The Lincoln Image and other pioneering works on Lincoln iconography, will present a slide lecture on "The Image of the Lincoln Family." David Greenstone, William M. Benton Department Service Professor of Political Science at the University of Chicago, will discuss "Lincoln as a Political Theorist: The Problem of Liberty and Union." Dr. Wayne C. Temple, Chief Deputy Director of the Illinois State Archives, will present his unpublished research findings for a forthcoming book on the subject of "Lincoln the Lecturer." Through the mail, registrants will later receive a booklet containing the papers delivered at the Colloquium.

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Anyone wishing to obtain further information regarding the Fourth Annual Lincoln Colloquium is welcome to call the Lincoln Home Visitor Center at (217) 492-4150; please ask for Historian George Painter. Once again, you are invited to participate in this stimulating event, which will enrich your understanding of Abraham Lincoln and his place in history.

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National Park Service

November 15, 1989

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HISTORIC FURNISHINGS RETURN TO LINCOLN HOME

The National Park Service at Lincoln Home National Historic Site announces the return of a significant group of Lincoln-associated furnishings to the Lincoln Home in Springfield, Illinois at 9 a.m. on November 27, 1989. The 24 objects are being transferred from Ford's Theatre National Historic Site in Washington, D.C. The furnishings were discovered through intensive research which is being conducted as part of a nationwide search for Lincoln Home artifacts.

The furnishings which will return to Springfield are part of the Oldroyd Collection, an extensive assemblage of Lincoln-related objects put together by Osborn Oldroyd, the first custodian of the Lincoln Home when it became a public historic site in 1887. During the 1890's, Oldroyd moved his collection to Washington, D.C., where it eventually became associated with Ford's Theatre. Nearly all of the 24 Lincoln Home objects have been in storage for many years, where their connection with the Springfield historic site was virtually forgotten, until they were rediscovered through the current research effort.

This transfer of furnishings is part of a major initiative to return original artifacts to the Lincoln Home. Called "The Great Search for the Lost Lincoln Furniture," this effort is cosponsored by WCVS Radio, the Lincoln Heritage Trail Foundation, the Lincoln Home National Historic Site, and the Ramada Renaissance Hotel of Springfield. The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Illinois has also been a major supporter of the project. United Van Lines, represented



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by Kenneth C. Johnson and Larry A. Johnson of Kenny Johnson, Moving and Storage, Springfield, Illinois is providing transportation for the objects which are being returned from Washington.

Since initiation of "The Great Search for the Lost Lincoln Furniture," there have been numerous inquiries from private individuals who possess artifacts thought to be from the Lincoln Home. These objects are being thoroughly researched. Lincoln Home National Historic Site is encouraging those individuals or organizations who may have Lincoln Home artifacts in their possession to send photographs and supporting documentation to assist in this nationwide search. The address is:

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NOVEMBER 28, 1989

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"CHRISTMAS IN MR. LINCOLN'S NEIGHBORHOOD"

AWARDS CEREMONY AND HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

AT LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

The National Park Service at Lincoln Home National Historic Site invites the public to attend a Holiday Open House and special awards ceremony from 7 to 8 p.m. on Friday, December 15, 1989, in the Lincoln Home Visitor Center at 426 South Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois. The Honorable James Thompson, Governor of Illinois, and the Honorable Ossie Langfelder, Mayor of Springfield, will participate in the festivities. As part of the special activities, the Lincoln Home will be open for tours from 8 to 10 p.m.; free tickets for the tours will be available at the Visitor Center on a first-come, first served basis beginning at 8:30 a.m. This gala 1860's holiday event will officially open the "Christmas in Mr. Lincoln's Neighborhood" display of traditional nineteenth-century exterior decorations of the Site's historic homes and Visitor Center. The decorations will remain on public display through January 3, 1990.

Beginning at 7 p.m., Governor Thompson, Mayor Langfelder, and Lincoln Home Superintendent Gentry Davis will present awards to community organizations and area businesses participating in the decoration of Site buildings. There will be several types of awards. Public Service Awards in each category will be determined by a Blue Ribbon Panel of Judges. National Park Service Honorary Awards will recognize the efforts of each decorator. The People's Choice Award will be determined by the voting public. A ballot box will be placed in the Lincoln Home

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Visitor Center on December 9, 1989. The general public will have the opportunity to vote for the winner of the People's Choice Award from December 9 through 15, 1989. Participants in the decoration of Site buildings will include: Carol's Flowers and Plants, Commercial Interiorscape Design, Flowers Le Grand, Flowers with Love, General Services Administration, Grace Lutheran Church, Illinois Registered Land Surveyors Association, Jean's Flower Shop, Lincoln Land Community College, Pleasant Nursery, Ralph Hahn and Associates, Robert Morris College, Scaife's Flowers, Tom Hamilton Better Homes and Gardens Realtor, and WCVS/WFMB Radio, Downtown Park, Inc., as well as Governor James Thompson and other public figures.

The awards ceremony at the Visitor Center will be followed by a reception at the Ramada Renaissance Hotel from 8:15 to 9:00 p.m. This will open a temporary exhibit of Lincoln Home-related artifacts which have recently returned to the Historic Site from the collection of Ford's Theatre National Historic Site. Governor Thompson will unveil the exhibit. Members of the Springfield Municipal Opera Choir will lead guests in caroling as they walk to the Ramada Renaissance Hotel.

The St. Paul AME Church Choir, Brownie Troop 439 of Ridgely School and First United Methodist Church Handbell Choir will perform music appropriate to the season in the Visitor Center and the historic neighborhood surrounding the Lincoln Home.

For further information about these events please call the Visitor Center at (217) 492-4150. There is no admission charge for any of these activities.


Lincoln Home National Historic Site

"CHRISTMAS IN MR. LINCOLN'S NEIGHBORHOOD"
Historic House Decorating Contest

DECEMBER 16, 1988 - JANUARY 3, 1989

The National Park Service at the Lincoln Home National Historic Site is pleased to announce a special event for the 1988 Holiday Season entitled "CHRISTMAS IN MR. LINCOLN'S NEIGHBORHOOD."

This event will feature traditional 19th century exterior decorations of the Site's historic homes on public display from December 16, 1988 through January 3, 1989. We are requesting the participation of area nurseries, greenhouses, and florists or corporate sponsors interested in adopting a historic house for the Holiday Season.

Your early response is important. Only fourteen (14) historic homes will be decorated -- including the Lincoln Home!

Random drawings at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, October 28, 1988 will determine participation and house assignments. Conditions of the event include the donation, installation and removal of appropriate exterior period decorations. Written decorating proposals must be submitted for review and approval prior to installation.

A Blue Ribbon panel of Judges will determine first, second and third place winners -- winners will be announced and awards presented by Mayor Langfelder at the Award Ceremony officially opening the "CHRISTMAS IN MR. LINCOLN'S NEIGHBORHOOD" display to the public on Friday, December 16, 1988 from 7-9:00 p.m.. The Junior League of Springfield, dressed in period clothing, will be serving refreshments to the public and area church choirs will stroll through the decorated historic neighborhood singing Christmas carols.

The National Park Service is pleased to announce that the Lincoln Home National Historic Site will be included in the Springfield Area Arts Council-sponsored "First Night" activities December 31, 1988.

To participate or to obtain additional information, please contact Ms. Rena Lowder at (217) 492-4241.

THE RESPONSE DEADLINE
IS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1988

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OCTOBER 12, 1990

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THE FIFTH ANNUAL LINCOLN COLLOQUIUM

The National Park Service at Lincoln Home National Historic Site cordially invites the public to attend the Fifth Annual Lincoln Colloquium, in which prominent scholars will present their insights concerning Abraham Lincoln. "Since its inception during 1986, the Colloquium has grown into one of the most significant national events in the field of Lincoln scholarship.

The Fifth Annual Lincoln Colloquium will be held on Saturday, October 20, 1990, at Sangamon State University in Springfield, Illinois.

The theme of this year's conference is "Abraham Lincoln Within the Context of American Culture." Speakers will include, pending the Congressional schedule, the Honorable Richard J. Durbin, U.S. Representative from Illinois' 20th Congressional District; Harold Holzer, coauthor of The Lincoln Image and other pioneering works on Lincoln iconography; Robert W. Johannsen, J. G. Randall Distinguished Professor of History at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; Mark E. Neely, Jr., Director of the Lincoln Museum in Fort Wayne, Indiana; William E. Gienapp, Professor of History at Harvard University; and, Edwin C. Bearss, Chief Historian of the National Park Service.

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Each year, the papers presented at the Colloquium are published in an illustrated booklet. Following the event, registrants will receive a copy of the booklet through the mail.

On October 20, 1990, registration for the conference will start at 11:15 a.m. near the ticket office on the ground floor of Sangamon State University's Public Affairs Center. The Colloquium will begin at 11:45 a.m. and conclude at approximately 5:00 p.m.; a luncheon is included.

The registration fee is \$17.00 a person. Checks should be made payable to Eastern National Park & Monument Association, with the word "Colloquium" written on the "memo" line of the check. Advance registration will facilitate planning the arrangements. Please mail your registration fee to: Lincoln Colloquium, Lincoln Home National Historic Site, 413 South Eighth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701-1905.

In addition to Lincoln Home National Historic Site, other cosponsors of the Colloquium are Eastern National Park & Monument Association, the Sangamon County Historical Society, and the Lincoln Group of Illinois. Sangamon State University will host the event.

Anyone wishing to obtain further information regarding the Fifth Annual Lincoln Colloquium is welcome to call Lincoln Home National Historic Site at (217) 492-4150; please ask for Historian George Painter.

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FREE TICKET SYSTEM FOR TOURS OF THE LINCOLN HOME

For the convenience of all visitors to Lincoln Home National Historic Site, the National Park Service has implemented a free ticket system to eliminate time spent waiting in line for entrance to the Lincoln Home. Free tickets are issued on a first-come, first-served basis at the Lincoln Home Visitor Center, 426 South Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois. Each ticket will provide admittance to the Lincoln Home for a tour at a specific time. Visitors are encouraged to arrive at the Visitor Center early in the day for a tour ticket, as all the tours are often filled by 2 p.m. or earlier during periods of heavy visitation. The Lincoln Home Visitor Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. every day except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's.

Individuals may request up to eight tickets for a specific tour time later in the same day, subject to space availability on that tour; such requests must be made in person at the Visitor Center.

Advance reservations for groups of twelve or more people may be made by calling the Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau at 1-800-545-7300 or (217) 789-2360.

Anyone having questions concerning the ticket system or desiring more information regarding Lincoln Home National Historic Site is welcome to call (217) 492-4150.

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AWARDS CEREMONY AND HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

AT LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

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The decorations of historic houses within the Lincoln Home area will remain on public display through January 1, 1991. For evening viewing of the decorations, the houses will be illuminated with floodlights after nightfall.

There is no admission fee for any of these activities. For further information, please call (217) 492-4150.

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January 29, 1991

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"ABRAHAM LINCOLN: A BIOGRAPHY IN WORDS AND MUSIC"

AT LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

In honor of the one hundred eighty-second anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth, the National Park Service at Lincoln Home National Historic Site cordially invites the public to enjoy a special presentation entitled, "Abraham Lincoln: A Biography in Words and Music." The program will begin at 2 p.m. on both Saturday, February 9, and Sunday, February 10, 1991, in the Lincoln Home Visitor Center, located at 426 South Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois.

The presentation will dramatize an 1865 political rally honoring President Lincoln. Actor Fritz Klein will portray Abraham Lincoln, a role he has played throughout the United States. Mr. Klein will utilize passages from Lincoln's speeches and other writings to dramatize the life of the sixteenth President. Members of the Springfield Symphony chorus will perform musical selections which played an important role in Mr. Lincoln's life. Paul Presney, Jr., well-known for his many fine performances with the Springfield Municipal Opera, will portray Jesse K. DuBois, the Illinois State Auditor of the 1850's and 60's and master of ceremonies for the program.

Fritz Klein has portrayed Lincoln across the nation, presenting "stump speeches" on various topics in Lincoln's own words. Mr. Klein has extensively researched The Collected

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Works of Abraham Lincoln, the basic source for his presentations. He closely approximates the actual height and weight of the sixteenth president. Mr. Klein spends ninety minutes on make-up before each performance, thus enhancing his own natural resemblance to Abraham Lincoln.

The Springfield Symphony Chorus was founded in 1985. The Director of the chorus is P. Timothy Koch, who will conduct the two performances. Mr. Koch is a member of the music faculty at Blackburn College in Carlinville and teacher of voice at Lincoln Land Community College. Mrs. Margery Dodds will provide piano accompaniment. Musical selections in the program will include "Barbara Allen," "Skip to My Lou," "Battle Cry of Freedom," and "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

There is no admission fee for these presentations. Anyone wishing to obtain further information concerning Lincoln's Birthday activities at Lincoln Home National Historic Site is welcome to call (217)492-4150.

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The Commission on the Status of Women, established in 1946, was the first of its kind. It was created by the United Nations to address the needs and concerns of women worldwide. The Commission's mandate was to promote the advancement of women and to ensure their full participation in the development of their countries. It has since become a leading international body on women's issues, with a focus on human rights, equality, and social justice.

The Commission's work is carried out through a variety of means, including the holding of regular sessions, the appointment of experts, and the submission of reports to the United Nations. It also plays a key role in the development of international conventions and treaties related to women's rights. The Commission's efforts have been instrumental in raising awareness of women's issues and in promoting their resolution at the global level.

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FIFTH ANNUAL LINCOLN ESSAY COMPETITION AWARDS

TO BE PRESENTED BY

LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

In observance of the one hundred eighty-second anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth, the National Park Service at Lincoln Home National Historic Site will present awards for its Fifth Annual Lincoln Essay Competition. The award presentation will take place at 2 p.m. on Sunday, February 10, 1990, immediately preceding the dramatization entitled, "Abraham Lincoln: A Biography in Words and Music." The location of the ceremony will be the Lincoln Home Visitor Center at 426 South Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois.

The essay competition is open to all eighth grade students in Illinois. The theme of this year's essays was "Lincoln as President." The prize-winning essays were selected by George L. Painter, Historian of Lincoln Home National Historic Site, and Dr. Wayne C. Temple, Chief Deputy Director of the Illinois State Archives.

The author of the First Prize essay is Matthew J. Hinz of Casey Junior High School in Mount Vernon. Jeffrey J. Warren, who is also a student at Casey Junior High School, received the Second Prize. Winner of the Third Prize is Dannette Gillespie of Washington Middle School in Springfield. Andrea Bauer of Brookwood Junior High School in Glenwood received the Fourth Prize. Winner of the Fifth Prize is Jenni Balmer of LaHarpe Junior High School in LaHarpe. In recognition of the authors' achievement, the students and schools named above will each receive an award plaque and a

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book concerning Abraham Lincoln. The First and Second Prize essays will be published in the newsletter of the Sangamon County Historical Society.

In addition, essays by the following students received Honorable Mention in the competition: Stacy Barrow of Washington Middle School, in Springfield, William R. Bengal of Calvary Academy in Springfield, Adam Breeze of Casey Junior High School in Mount Vernon, Nathen Carter of Metcalfe Magnet School in Chicago, Kristin Fitzgerald of Blessed Sacrament School in Springfield, Jean Jurgonski of Willow Springs Public School in Willow Springs, Helen Lesczynski of Lincoln Elementary School in Calumet City, Amy M. Paulsen of Saint Thomas School in Peoria Heights, Shallie Pittman of Metcalfe Magnet School in Chicago, and Laura Taylor-Kale of Brookwood High School in Glenwood. Each of the Honorable Mention winners in the Fifth Annual Lincoln Essay Competition will receive a certificate recognizing their achievement.

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AUTHORS DON DAVENPORT AND MARK E. NEELY, JR.

TO AUTOGRAPH THEIR BOOKS AT

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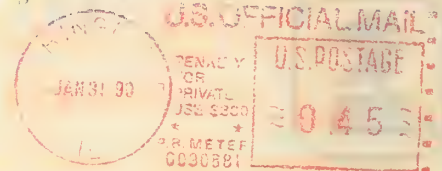
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WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH PRESENTATIONS

AT LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

In observance of Women's History Month, Lincoln Home National Historic Site will offer a series of programs throughout March depicting the interests, concerns, and social roles of women in American history. The presentations will take place within the Lincoln Home Visitor Center, located at 426 South 7th Street, Springfield, Illinois.

These programs will all be presented from the perspective of women representing various time periods and cultural backgrounds:

At 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 9, Jane Lowder will present "Mary Todd Lincoln and the Victorian Ideal." Ms. Lowder has presented programs about the Lincoln neighborhood and family since 1989.

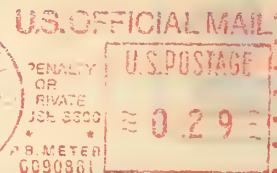
At 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 16, educator Kathy Pauly will discuss "The Victorian Lady and Her Clothing." Ms. Pauly works with children of elementary school age, presenting programs on Victorian lifestyles.

At 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 23, Linda Morrison, who has provided tours of the historic neighborhood surrounding the Lincoln Home since 1989, will present a talk entitled, "Ladies of the Lincoln Era."

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At 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 29, Saturday, March 30, and Sunday, March 31, "Granny Foster Remembers" will dramatize the story of a Black woman's transition from slavery to freedom. The presenter, Ajena Cason Hakeem of Roanoke, Virginia, developed an interest in the study of Black history while working for the National Park Service on the Blue Ridge Parkway in Virginia. Her program is the outgrowth of extensive research, including oral history interviews. Ms. Hakeem's presentations have been well received at universities and professional conferences on the East coast.

At 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 30, Laura Meyers, President of the Springfield Education Association, will discuss "Contemporary Women's Issues."

There is no admission fee for the Women's History Month presentations. These activities are also part of Lincoln Home National Historic Site's observance of the 75th anniversary of the National Park Service.

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EXTENDED OPERATING HOURS
AT LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

In order to accommodate increased visitation and better serve the public, Lincoln Home National Historic Site will extend its operating hours during the spring, summer, and fall of 1991. The Site will remain open seven days a week. Increased funding has made possible an expansion of the hours the Site is open to the public. The Lincoln Home, as a federally funded unit of the National Park System, will not be affected by any possible state funding cuts. The expanded hours for the Visitor Center and the Lincoln Home during 1991 will be as follows:

April 1 - May 26

Monday and Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. for Visitor Center and Lincoln Home.

Wednesday through Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. for Visitor Center and Lincoln Home.

May 26 - September 2

Daily Visitor Center Hours: 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Daily Lincoln Home Hours: 8:15 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

September 3 - October 31

Monday and Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. for Visitor Center and Lincoln Home.

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For the remainder of the year, November 1 to December 31, the daily operating hours for the Visitor Center and Lincoln Home will be 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lincoln Home National Historic Site is closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Days.

During 1991, Lincoln Home National Historic Site is celebrating the 75th anniversary of the National Park Service.

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PRESENTATION AT LINCOLN HOME

COMMEMORATES ANNIVERSARY OF LINCOLN'S ASSASSINATION

In observance of the 126th anniversary of the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, a special presentation will be offered on Sunday, April 14, at the Lincoln Home Visitor Center, 426 South Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois. Lewis P. Mallow, Jr., will present his 67-minute audiovisual production, "The Assassination of President Lincoln," at 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., noon, 1:30 p.m., and 3 p.m.

A retiree of Chippawa Valley Technical College in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, Mr. Mallow travels throughout the Midwest presenting his productions on the Lincoln theme to civic and educational groups. Scholars have praised "The Assassination of President Lincoln" for its meticulous research and its comprehensive presentation of the historical background of the assassination.

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SUMMER PROGRAMS AT

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From mid-June to mid-August, Lincoln Home National Historic Site will offer the visiting public an intensive schedule of dramatizations, slide lectures, and other programs concerning Abraham Lincoln and related topics.

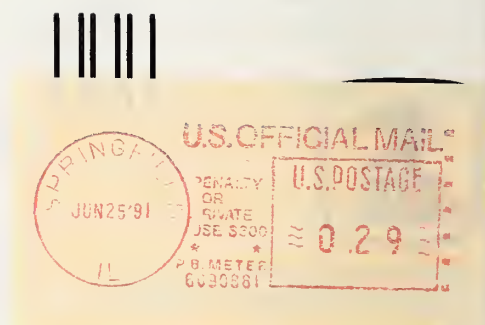
A copy of the schedule for these summer activities is enclosed. The times and subject matter of the programs is subject to change; for up-to-date information regarding these presentations as well as other activities at the Historic Site, please call the Visitor Center at (217) 492-4150. These programs are free and open to the public.

During the summer, members of the Junior League of Springfield, dressed in reproduction period clothing, will present tours of the Historic Neighborhood.

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LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE
SCHEDULE OF SUMMER PROGRAMS - JUNE THROUGH AUGUST 1991
GENERAL INFORMATION

Unless otherwise noted, these programs will begin at 2:00 p.m. in the Lincoln Home National Historic Site Visitor Center, 426 South Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois.

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JUNE

During June, members of the junior League of Springfield, dressed in reproduction period clothing, will present tours of the historic neighborhood. The schedule will vary; for current information, please call (217) 492-4150.

Tuesday, June 18 - A slide presentation entitled "New Salem Traditions".

Wednesday, June 19 - A slide presentation entitled "Lincoln the Lawyer in Logan County".

Thursday, June 20 - A presentation entitled "Mr. Lincoln's Religion".

Saturday, June 22, at 2 p.m. and again at 2:45 p.m. across Eighth Street from the Lincoln Home, scenes from Lincoln's "prairie years" will come to life through the magic of marionettes when the DePriest Puppets stage, "Abraham Lincoln: New Salem to Springfield." Children may bring something to sit on. Rain date to be announced.

Monday, June 24 - A dramatized interview with Lincoln's law partner and biographer, William Herndon - as dramatized by Paul Presney, Jr.

Tuesday, June 25 - A description of "Mr. Lincoln's World" in a multi-dimensional presentation by the Old State Capitol Staff.

Wednesday, June 26 - A performance by the Gypsy Gorilla Band.

Thursday, June 27 - Two slide presentations entitled "The Life of Abraham Lincoln" and "The Life of Mary Todd Lincoln" will alternate throughout the day between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Thursday evening, June 27, at 7:30 - "Twilight Tour of the Historic Neighborhood" with a person in reproduction period clothing who will portray a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Saturday and Sunday, June 29 and 30 - various exciting activities will take place in the park as part of the LincolnFest celebration.

JULY

During July, members of the Junior League of Springfield, dressed in reproduction period clothing, will present tours of the Lincoln Home neighborhood. The schedule will vary; for current information, please call (217) 492-4150.

Tuesday, July 2 - A slide presentation entitled "African National Parks."

Wednesday, July 3 - A slide presentation entitled "Illinois Historic Sites."

Thursday, July 4, at 7:30 p.m. - "Twilight Tour of the Historic Neighborhood," with a person in reproduction period clothing who will portray a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior at the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

Monday, July 8 - A dramatized interview with Lincoln's law partner and biographer, William Herndon, as portrayed by Paul Presney, Jr.

Wednesday, July 10 - A slide presentation entitled "Lincoln's Campaign Manager: David Davis."

Thursday, July 11 - Quilting of the Lincoln Time period will be demonstrated.

Monday, July 15 - A dramatized interview with Mary Todd Lincoln's sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Todd Edwards.

Tuesday, July 16 - A presentation entitled "Victorian Women."

Thursday, July 18 - A slide presentation entitled "Illinois Wildlife of the Lincoln Era."

Monday, July 22 - A slide presentation entitled "Lincoln Home Archeology."

Tuesday, July 23 - A video presentation and discussion of the Illinois and Michigan Canal National Heritage Corridor.

Wednesday, July 24 - A slide presentation entitled "Lincoln's Campaign Manager: David Davis."

Thursday, July 25 - "Ice Age Animals of Illinois and Elsewhere."

Monday, July 29 - A dramatized interview with Mary Todd Lincoln's sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Todd Edwards.

Tuesday, July 30 - A slide presentation entitled, "The Restoration of the Lincoln Home."

Wednesday, July 31 - A slide presentation entitled, "Gas, Food, and Lodging; History Along the Highway."

AUGUST

During August, members of the Junior League of Springfield, dressed in reproduction period clothing, will present tours of the historic neighborhood. The schedule will vary; for current information please call (217) 492-4150.

Thursday, August 1 - a slide presentation entitled "Lincoln, the Lawyer in Logan County."

Monday, August 5 - A description of "Mr. Lincoln's World" as presented in a multi-dimensional presentation by the Old State Capitol.

Wednesday, August 7, at 7 p.m. - "Patchwork: Voices of the 19th Century Women," a presentation of joys and sorrows of everyday life for frontier women using their own words and songs.

Thursday, August 8 - A musical presentation entitled, "19th Century Popular Song."

Thursday, August 8, at 7:30 p.m. - "Twilight Tour of the Historic Neighborhood," with a person in reproduction period clothing who will portray a resident of Lincoln's Springfield. This presentation begins on the southern exterior of the Lincoln Home Visitor Center.

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Dear History Enthusiast:

Lincoln Home National Historic Site cordially invites you to attend the Sixth Annual Lincoln Colloquium, in which prominent scholars will present their insights concerning Abraham Lincoln. Since its inception during 1986, the Colloquium has grown into one of the more significant national events in the field of Lincoln scholarship.

The Sixth Annual Lincoln Colloquium will be held on Saturday, October 26, at Sangamon State University in Springfield, Illinois.

The theme of this year's conference is "Abraham Lincoln and the Crucible of War." Speakers will include James M. McPherson, Edwards Professor of American History at Princeton University and recipient of the 1989 Pulitzer Prize in History; Dr. McPherson will discuss the question of "Who Freed the Slaves?" Richard N. Current, Distinguished Professor of History Emeritus at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, will analyze "Lincoln's Loyalists: Union Soldiers from the Confederacy." John Y. Simon, Professor of History at Southern Illinois University, will elucidate "Abraham Lincoln, Jefferson Davis, and Fort Sumter." Frank J. Williams, President of the Abraham Lincoln Association, will examine and illustrate "Lincoln and His Contemporaries: The World's Statesmen Compared and Contrasted." Paul Findley, former United States Representative from Illinois' 20th Congressional District, will discuss his personal experiences in "Legislating the Authorization of Lincoln Home National Historic Site: A Twenty-Year Perspective."

Each year, the papers presented at the Colloquium are published in an illustrated booklet which has been widely praised for its attractive appearance and scholarly content. Following the event, registrants will receive a copy of the booklet through the mail.



On October 26, registration for the conference will begin at 11:00 a.m.; the registration table will be located just inside the ground floor entrance of Sangamon State University's Public Affairs Center. The program will commence at 11:30 a.m. and conclude at approximately 5:00 p.m.; a luncheon is included.

The registration fee is \$20.00 per person. Checks should be made payable to Eastern National Park & Monument Association, with the word "Colloquium" written on the "Memo" line of the check. Advance registration will greatly facilitate planning the arrangements. Please mail your registration fee to: Lincoln Colloquium, Lincoln Home National Historic Site, 413 South Eighth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701-1905.

In addition to Lincoln Home National Historic Site, other cosponsors of the Colloquium are Eastern National Park & Monument Association, the Sangamon County Historical Society, the Lincoln Group of Illinois, and Sangamon State University.

Anyone wishing to obtain further information regarding the Sixth Annual Lincoln Colloquium is welcome to call Lincoln Home National Historic Site at (217) 492-4150; please ask for Historian George Painter.

Once again, you are cordially invited to this stimulating conference, which will enrich your understanding of Abraham Lincoln and his place in history.

Sincerely,

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VIDEO ON SPRINGFIELD LINCOLN SITES

TO PREMIERE

The public is invited to attend the premiere of a video entitled, "In Mr. Lincoln's Footsteps." The product of a partnership between state agencies, non-profit private organizations, and the National Park Service--the video provides a dramatized orientation to the Lincoln sites in the Springfield area. The premiere showing will begin at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 28, in the Lincoln Home Visitor Center at 426 South Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois.

"In Mr. Lincoln's Footsteps" is especially intended to orient schoolchildren throughout the State of Illinois to the Lincoln sites. It is also hoped, however, that the video will serve the entire spectrum of visitors, including families and adult groups.

The video is the product of a partnership between the following organizations: the Illinois State Board of Education; the Illinois Humanities Council; the Lincoln sites administered by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, which include Lincoln-Herndon Law Offices State Historic Site, Old State Capitol State Historic Site, Lincoln's Tomb State Historic Site, and Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site; Lincoln Home National Historic Site, which is administered by the National Park Service; the Abraham Lincoln Association; and, the New Salem Lincoln League.

Although the video is designed to stand alone, the same group of cooperating organizations also produced a companion Teacher's Guide that educators can utilize in conjunction with it. The Illinois State Board of Education will make the video and Teacher's Guide available on a loan basis.

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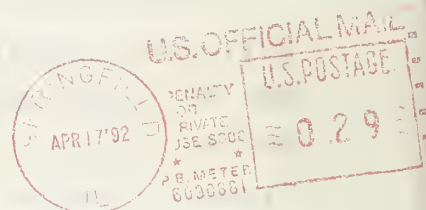
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INTERIOR DEPARTMENT HONORS JUNIOR LEAGUE OF SPRINGFIELD

The Department of the Interior has awarded the Junior League of Springfield its prestigious Conservation Service Award. In a ceremony held in Washington, D. C. on Tuesday, May 5, Secretary of the Interior Manuel Lujan presented the award to Junior League President Barbara Hennessy of Springfield.

The Conservation Service Award is the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a private citizen or group by the Department of the Interior. The Junior League of Springfield was recognized for three decades of service to the Lincoln Home National Historic Site, which is administered by the National Park Service, an agency within the Department of the Interior. Only three such awards were made this year.

Some of the Junior League's many achievements noted in the award citation include the League's role in preserving the Corneau House, their efforts to establish the Lincoln Home National Historic Site, and their on-going volunteer activities at the Site, such as costumed tours of the Lincoln neighborhood.

Barbara Hennessy, speaking on behalf of the Junior League of Springfield, expressed the League's delight in being honored. "This recognition is an honor we share," said Hennessy, "with all of the League members over the years who have volunteered their time and energies to preserve the memory of President Lincoln." The award will be placed in the Junior League's offices in the Corneau House, which is next door to the home of Abraham Lincoln.

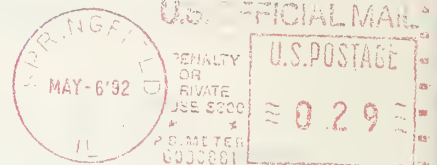
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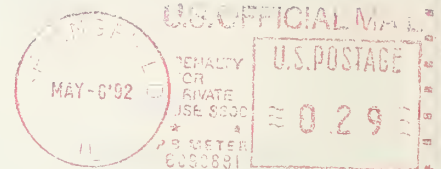
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LINCOLN CENTER PLANNING MOVES FORWARD

The National Park Service is moving forward with planning for an Abraham Lincoln Research and Interpretive Center in Springfield. The next step in the planning process is completion of an Environmental Assessment. When completed, this document will ensure that the project complies with all appropriate environmental and historic preservation laws and regulations.

The environmental assessment will be conducted by a planning team headed by the National Park Service's Denver Service Center. Team members representing the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency and the Lincoln Home National Historic Site will also participate. The team will meet in Springfield the week of June 15-19, to begin its work.

Anyone with an interest in the project is invited to meet the team members at a public reception to be held at the Lincoln Home Visitor Center, 426 South Seventh Street, on Wednesday, June 17, from 5-8 p.m. Team members will be available to describe the planning process, receive comments, or make arrangements for further discussions.

The environmental assessment will include: data gathering and analysis; identification of a preferred course of action from

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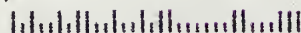
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a set of alternatives, and their potential impacts; and, a determination regarding the need for an environmental impact statement.

As part of the planning process, the National Park Service will publish an occasional newsletter to update interested groups and individuals on the status of the project. Anyone who would like to be on the mailing list for the newsletter should write to: Lincoln Center Planning Team, c/o Lincoln Home National Historic Site, 413 South Eighth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701.

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Note to editors/news managers, etc.:

Marilyn Hof, Team Captain of the Environmental Assessment planning team, will be available to provide further information at the public reception, Wednesday, June 17, 5-8 p.m., at the Lincoln Home Visitor Center, or by appointment (217-492-4241).

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HISTORIAN RICHARD N. CURRENT
TO AUTOGRAPH BOOKS AT
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In honor of the one hundred eighty-third anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth, Lincoln Home National Historic Site cordially invites the public to participate in a book signing session with author Dr. Richard N. Current, who is universally regarded as the dean of Lincoln scholars. From 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. on Lincoln's Birthday, Wednesday, February 12, Professor Current will be present for the autographing of his works at the Lincoln Home Visitor Center, 426 South Seventh Street, Springfield, Illinois. Following the book signing session, he will be one of the speakers at the Lincoln Heritage Lectures, which commence at 9:30 a.m. on February 12 in the Visitor Center; the topic of Dr. Current's lecture will be the influence of Lincoln's presidency on the rise of the United States to a world power.

Dr. Richard N. Current is the University Distinguished Professor of History Emeritus at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and the author or coauthor of nineteen books. His reputation rests firmly upon such classic studies as The Lincoln Nobody Knows, Those Terrible Carpetbaggers, and Speaking of Abraham Lincoln: The Man and His Meaning for Our Times; in conjunction with the book signing session, these works will be available for sale at the bookstore in the Visitor Center. Other works by Dr. Current include Lincoln and the First Shot and Lincoln the President: Last Full Measure, which was coauthored with J. G. Randall and received the Bancroft Prize. Scheduled to be published this spring, Dr. Current's next book is entitled, Lincoln's Loyalists: Union Soldiers from the Confederacy.

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AT LINCOLN HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

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The presentation will dramatize an 1865 political rally honoring President Lincoln. Actor Fritz Klein will portray Abraham Lincoln, a role he has played throughout the United States. Mr. Klein will utilize passages from Lincoln's speeches and other writings to dramatize the life of the sixteenth President. Members of the Springfield Symphony chorus will perform musical selections which played an important role in Mr. Lincoln's life, such as "Barbara Allen," "Skip to my Lou," "Battle Cry of Freedom," and "Battle Hymn of the Republic." Paul Presney, Jr., well-known for his many fine performances with the Springfield Municipal Opera, will be Master of Ceremonies for the program, and portray Jesse K. DuBois, the Illinois State Auditor of the 1850s and 60s.

Fritz Klein has portrayed Lincoln across the nation, presenting "stump speeches" on various topics in Lincoln's own words. Mr. Klein has extensively researched The Collected Works of Abraham Lincoln, the basic source for his presentations. He closely approximates the actual height and weight of the sixteenth president. Mr. Klein spends ninety minutes on make-up

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SIXTH ANNUAL LINCOLN ESSAY COMPETITION AWARDS
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In observance of the one hundred eighty-third anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth, Lincoln Home National Historic Site will recognize the achievement of eighth grade students from schools throughout Illinois by presenting awards for its Sixth Annual Lincoln Essay Competition. The award presentation will take place at 2 p.m. on Sunday, February 9, 1992, immediately preceding the dramatization entitled, "Abraham Lincoln: A Biography in Words and Music." The location of the ceremony will be the Lincoln Home Visitor Center at 426 South Seventh Street in Springfield.

The essay competition is open to all eighth grade students in Illinois. The theme of this year's essays was "Lincoln as a Leader." The prize-winning essays were selected by George L. Painter, Historian of Lincoln Home National Historic Site, and Dr. Wayne C. Temple, Chief Deputy Director of the Illinois State Archives.

The author of the First Prize essay is Amy Hammond of Eldorado Junior High School in Eldorado. The recipient of the Second Prize is Frank Talaga of Brookwood Junior High School in Glenwood. Jenny Duda, who is also a student at Brookwood Junior High School, will receive the Third Prize. The winner of the Fourth Prize is Crystal Chiu of Casey Junior High School in Mount Vernon. Katherine Ann Kessler of Beardstown Junior High School in Beardstown will receive the Fifth Prize. In recognition of the authors' achievement, the students and schools named above will each receive an award plaque and a book about Abraham Lincoln. The first Prize essay will be published in The Lincoln Chronicle, as well as the newsletter of the Sangamon County Historical Society.

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